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Lyle D. Jaffe Dockets Management, FDA/DHHS, 12420 Parklawn Dr. Room-1-23 Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Mr. Jaffe,

I am writing you to let you know that I and many other people at work and many friends support the petition to ban the cruelty and unhealthiness of forced molting of layer hens---docket 98P - 0203/CP

Forced molting is so cruel that, in 1987, it was banned in Great Britain, and most European countries do not allow food deprivation for more than 14 hours.

Yet, in North America, no laws protect these poor birds. and as you read this, more than 6 million hens are being forced molted.

Please, please pass this petition.

Respectfully,

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